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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 - 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

Ex Parte

Re: Notice of Ex Parte Presentation, WC Docket No. 10-90

Dear Ms. Dortch:

This is to notify you pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission's Rules that Connie Durcsak and Michael Oldak from the Utilities Telecom Council (UTC), Bob Hance and David Allen from Midwest Energy Cooperative and representing the UTC Rural Broadband Council, Albert Ernst from Dykema Gossett PLLC, Orji Isiogu from ONI Consulting and Laura Schepis from the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association, met with Acting Chairwoman Mignon Clyburn, Rebecca Goodheart, John Bilyeu and Dorothy Terry on July 11, 2013 in connection with the above-referenced proceedings.

At the meeting the UTC representatives made the following points.

- 1) All of the representatives thanked the Acting Chairwoman Clyburn and the FCC staff for their work on supporting and funding the Connect America Fund (CAF). The representatives explained that rural utilities can support the goals of CAF in a way that can provide unserved regions of rural America with not only the benefits of broadband service, but in a manner that supports other national goals, such as increasing the reliability and efficiency of electric service.
- 2) Rural utilities are uniquely situated to support deployment in rural America due to their coverage and connections with the communities that they serve, as well as the resources that they can bring to bear including broadband infrastructure that is being deployed by utilities for smart grid applications.
- 3) Participants also discussed the eligibility of rural electric cooperatives to obtain CAF funding.

If there are any questions concerning this matter, please let me know.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michael D. Oldak". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Michael D. Oldak

cc: FCC Participants